

**CITY OF CAMDEN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**  
**RESOLUTION SUMMARY**

**Economic Development/ Brownfields**

**Resolution No.: 10-12-22A**

**Resolution Title:**

**Resolution Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement with the City of Camden for the Management of Funding and Environmental Services for the Robert B. Johnson Park Designated as Block 520, Lot 26; Block 522, Lot 9 (part), and Block 523, Lot 13 on the City of Camden Tax Map in the Centerville Redevelopment Area**

**Project Summary:**

- The Robert B. Johnson Park Site, is a 15-acre site located on the north side of Carl Miller Boulevard, immediately east of U.S. Route I-676, and is comprised of Block 520, Lot 26; Block 522, Lot 9 (part); and Block 523, Lot 13 on the Tax Map. The subject property is owned by the City of Camden and improved as a public park with open space, basketball courts, and ball fields.
- Based on prior investigations, historic fill material, Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs), various metals, and total Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) have been identified at the site that are above the applicable New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) Residential and/or Nonresidential Soil Remediation Standards. Based on the current findings, the remediation approach for the site includes capping with engineering controls (deed notice).
- The Park is now closed. The County of Camden under a multi-year Parks Agreement with the City will fund and construct substantial Park improvements immediately after the remediation activities have been completed. Thereafter, the Park will be re-opened as a public recreational space.
- CRA, as the administrator of the City's Brownfield Program, and the City desire to enter into a Shared Services Agreement for CRA to secure, manage, and implement on behalf of the City Funding Agreements for the environmental remediation activities at the Park site.
- Under the terms of the Shared Services Agreement, the City will provide an estimated \$82,636.00 to cover costs for an environmental consultant to identify and prepare applications for potential brownfield and other funding, for a Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP), and to provide an administrative fee to CRA for its oversight and management services.
- The City will take a corresponding action to authorize and execute a Shared Services Agreement with CRA at its October 2022 City Council Meeting.

**Purpose of Resolution:**

To authorize a Shared Services Agreement

**Award Process:**

N/A

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY (cont'd)**

**Cost Not to Exceed:**

TBD

**Total Project Cost:**

TBD

**Source of Funds:**

City of Camden via Shared Services Agreement

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**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et. seq. authorized local units of government to enter into agreements for the joint provision of services; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency ("CRA") is charged with the duty of redevelopment throughout the City of Camden; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of CRA's redevelopment duties, CRA manages the City of Camden Brownfield Program including brownfield planning activities, applying for and managing grants for brownfield investigation and remediation, and contracting for associated professional services, and remediation activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City owns a 15-acre site designated as Block 520, Lot 26; Block 522, Lot 9 (part) and Block 523, Lot 13 on the City of Camden Tax Map and known as the Robert B. Johnson Park, located in the Centerville Redevelopment Area; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Camden under a multi-year Parks Agreement with the City will fund and construct substantial Park improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, the County as part of its due diligence conducted environmental assessments at the Park Site, which indicate the presence of historic fill material, Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs), various metals and total Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) above applicable New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) Residential and/or Nonresidential Soil Remediation Standards that will require remediation of the site; and

**WHEREAS**, the remediation work will be carried out and coordinated with the construction of the Park improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, CRA and the City desire to enter into a Shared Services Agreement for CRA to secure and manage brownfield and other funding and contract for environmental and professional services as the City's agent for the Robert B. Johnson Park remediation effort; and

**WHEREAS**, the City, under the terms of the Shared Services Agreement, will provide an estimated \$82,636.00 to cover costs for an environmental consultant to identify and prepare applications for potential brownfield and other funding, to contract for the services of a Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP), and to provide an administrative fee to CRA for its oversight and management services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the governing body of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency that the Interim Executive Director of the Agency, a duly authorized representative of the Agency, is hereby authorized to negotiate and enter into a Shared Services Agreement with the City of Camden for CRA to secure and manage brownfield and other funding and contract for environmental and professional services in connection with the Robert B. Johnson Park site for a term of two (2) years from the execution of the Agreement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Interim Executive Director, or her designee, is hereby authorized to take all actions and execute all documents necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

10-12-22A (cont'd)

ON MOTION OF: Tasha Gainey-Humphrey

SECONDED BY: Jose Javier Ramos

COMMISSIONER	AYES	NAYS	ABSTENTIONS
Christopher Collins			X
Derek Davis	X		
Gilbert Harden, Sr.	X		
Tasha Gainey-Humphrey	X		
Ian K. Leonard	X		
Jose Javier Ramos	X		
Maria Sharma			X

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Ian K. Leonard  
Chairperson

ATTEST:

  
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Olivette Simpson  
Interim Executive Director

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

*Mark P. Asselta*

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